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### Clean Up Portland Harbor

Letter

Dr. Ms. McCarthy, The proposed cleanup of the Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic. A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that: Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources. Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site. Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people. Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor. These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve. And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor. \*Submitted during the comment period between June 9, 2016 to August 8, 2016 regarding the EPA's Portland Harbor Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan.

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Message (500 Character Limit) I grew up right on the water of the lower Columbia, swimming, kayaking, water skiing and eating salmon that my dad and grandpa and

neighbors caught all summer long. At age 14, I went swimming for one of the last times in the Columbia River and contracted Spinal Meningitis, which could have killed me, left me blind, deaf or brain damaged. I was in the hospital for over a week on isolation and came out on the other side grateful for life and still think of it today as my Rite of passage as a young woman. But the point is, our water is dirty people, and our once life giving abundance of fresh water and food provided from this river is now becoming more and more poisonous to us. It's time for a cleanse and it is time to no longer tolerate poison running through the veins of our mother and the water that sustains our very existence. Yes! Please sign this petition! I grew up right on the water of the lower Columbia, swimming, kayaking, water skiing and eating salmon that my dad and grandpa and neighbors caught all summer long. At age 14, I went swimming for one of the last times in the Columbia River and contracted Spinal Meningitis, which could have killed me, left me blind, deaf or brain damaged. I was in the hospital for over a week on isolatio But the point is, our water is dirty people, and our once life giving abundance of fresh water and food provided from this river is now becoming more and more poisonous to us. It's time for a cleanse and it is time to no longer tolerate poison running through the veins of our mother and the water that sustains our very existence.